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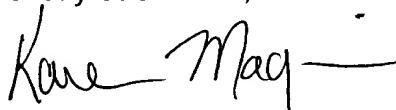
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REQUEST FOR INTERVIEW PRIOR TO FIRST ACTION

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request an interview in this application prior to first action, in accordance with the procedure set forth in MPEP § 760.07(b): "A request for interview prior to first action on a continuing or substitute application should ordinarily be granted."

Respectfully submitted,



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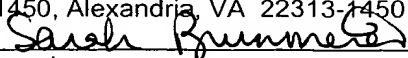
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